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Filed: February 27, 1997	) Oroup Art Unit:
For ULTRASONIC CATHETER, SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR TWO-DIMENSIONAL IMAGING OR THREE-DIMENSIONAL RECONSTRUCTION	) ) ) ) )

# SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AFTER MAILING DATE OF A FIRST OFFICE ACTION ON THE MERITS

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## I. U.S. Patent:

U.S. Patent	Issue Date	Inventors
5,070,879	12/10/91	Herres
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5,497,776	03/12/96	Yamazaki et al.
5,558,091	09/24/96	Acker et al.

## II. Other References:

1. "Early and Recent Intraluminal Ultrasound Devices," N. Bom et al., International Journal of Cardiac Images 4, pgs. 79-88, (1989).

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Respectfully submitted,

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